

## STATE OF CONNECTICUT OFFICE OF HEALTH CARE ACCESS

M. JODI RELL GOVERNOR

July 21, 2004

CRISTINE A. VOGEL COMMISSIONER

Via Facsimile and Regular Mail

Ms. Lena Rodriguez Executive Vice President Community Renewal Team, Inc. 555 Windsor Street Hartford, CT 06120

## Re: Certificate of Need Determination, Report Number 04-30263-DTR Community Renewal Team, Inc. CON Exemption Request Pursuant to Section 19a-639b, C.G.S. Establishment of Adult Behavioral Health Services in Hartford

Dear Ms. Rodriguez:

On March 25, 2004, the Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") issued the above report concerning the establishment of adult behavioral health services by the Community Renewal Team ("CRT") in Hartford. On July 20, 2004, CRT notified OHCA that the report did not include Day and Evening Treatment for Substance Abuse as a service level that would be provided by CRT on the Mount Sinai campus of Saint Francis Hospital and Medical Center ("Mt. Sinai") at 675 Tower Avenue, Hartford.

BlueRidge Health Services previously provided partial hospital and intensive outpatient treatment programs for mental health patients and substance abuse patients on the Mt. Sinai campus. Under 03-30166-CON, BlueRidge was authorized to close those programs. The intent of CRT was to provide the same programs on the Mt. Sinai campus so that the local community would have access to these important programs.

OHCA has determined that the proposal to operate the Partial Hospital and Intensive Outpatient Programs for Substance Abusive or Dependent Persons on the Mount Sinai campus meets the exemption requirements of Section 19a-639b, C.G.S. and, therefore, is exempt from OHCA's Certificate of Need process. Under this exemption, CRT may seek the following license: Day and Evening Treatment for Substance Abusive or Dependent Persons.

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Sincerely,

Signed by Cristine A. Vogel Commissioner

C: Irene Glasser, Ph.D., Community Renewal Team, Inc. Honorable Thomas A. Kirk, Jr., Ph.D., Commissioner, DMHAS Sandra Bauer, Health Processing Technician, DPH, DCBR

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